

00684.003120

PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: L. Nguyen
MINEO KANEKO ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2861
Application No.: 09/742,431	)	
	:	Allowed: June 2, 2005
Filed: December 22, 2000	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 8878
For: LIQUID EJECTING RECORDING	)	
HEAD AND LIQUID EJECTING	:	
RECORDING APPARATUS	)	August 3, 2005

Attn: Docket Clerk: Code **REAS**  
**Mail Stop Issue Fee**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

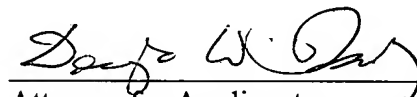
The Notice of Allowability mailed June 2, 2005 included, as an attachment, a statement of reasons for allowance.

However, not all of the features cited by the Examiner necessarily accurately reflect what is recited in the indicated claim. For example, independent Claim 29 recites "first, second and third liquid supply openings provided in a common substrate in the order named in a given direction;"; "said first ejection outlet array being disposed on a side of said second liquid supply opening facing away from the direction;"; and "said second ejection outlet array being disposed on a side of said first liquid supply opening facing away from the direction."

Applicants note that the language cited by the Examiner, namely, "wherein the first outlet array disposed on a side of the second liquid supply opening facing away and the second outlet array being disposed on a side of the first liquid supply opening facing away from a direction where the first, second, and third liquid supply openings are provided on a substrate," differs from the recitations of Claim 29 and may not be clear. Nevertheless, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims is allowable for its combination of claimed features.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Douglas W. Pinsky", is written over a horizontal line.

Attorney for Applicants  
Douglas W. Pinsky  
Registration No. 46,994

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, New York 10112-3801  
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200  
AMZ/DWP

DC\_MAIN 206781v1